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Briefer

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I. Introduction

- Know you have been recently briefed on SOV/PRC force balance, in particular on the Sino-Sov. border (have photos, graphics as back-up)
- Will pursue if you have additional interest?
- Otherwise focus on items of international concern as well as on S.E. Asia

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II. Iran/Middle East

III. International Oil

IV. Current Vietnam/Cambodia Military Situation

- What is happening - force movement, general strength
- Vietnamese staying power
- Supply/re-supply issue
- Resistance

Pose question:

How perceived in S.E. Asia?

IV. Chinese military buildup

- Attitude of Chinese
- Range of options
- Consequences: pol., mil., Amer. opinion
- Risks of Sov. intervention
- Competing considerations for Chinese

VI. Soviet activities relating to Viet./Cambodia

- Recent recon., activities
- But no conspicuous moves to build-up
- Peace & friendship treaty
- Sov. presence in Gulf of Tonkin
- Cam Ranh Bay

Questions that could be addressed to the Prime Minister might include

1. How do other Asian countries see the Vietnam/Cambodia situation?

- Effects of unity
- Doves vs. hawks
- Attitude toward security

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2. Perception on insurgency in Thailand?
3. What assurances, if any, has Thailand received from the Vietnamese?
4. If Vietnam succeeds in Cambodia - threat to Thailand?
5. Will there be a greater Vietnamese dependence on the Soviets?

VIII. Other possible briefing topics could be proposed such as

-U.S. equipment left in Vietnam

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